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) SWITCHING SYSTEM  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, please enter the  
following amendments to the above-identified application as follows: